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United States District Court
Southern District of New York

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E. Lee,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
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- against -)	No. 07cv10628 (WHP)
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Heritage Health & Housing, Inc.)	
)	
Defendant.)	
_____)	

Return of Service

I, David Abrams, served copies of the summons and complaint in this matter upon Heritage Health & Housing, Inc. as follows: by delivering the same to James Woods, Chief Operating Officer (caucasian male; 5'9"; 240 lbs; grey hair; blue eyes) at Heritage Health & Housing, Inc.; 416 W. 127th Street, New York, NY 10027 on December 3, 2007 at 10:30AM. Copies of the Complaint & Summons are attached hereto. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing information is true and correct.

Respectfully submitted,

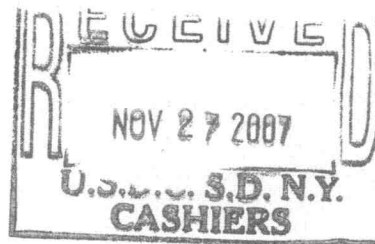
/s/ David Abrams

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Dated: January 8, 2008
New York, New York

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COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, complaining of the Defendant by her attorney, David Abrams, Attorney at Law, respectfully sets forth and alleges as follows:

I. Introduction

1. This is an action for interference with leave protected under the Family Medical Leave Act and for violations of local human rights laws.

II. Parties

2. Plaintiff Lee ("Lee" or "Plaintiff") is a natural person residing in the State of New York.

3. Upon information and belief, Defendant Heritage Health & Housing, Inc. ("Heritage") is a not for profit corporation in the State of New York, County of New York.

III. Venue & Jurisdiction

4. Venue in the Southern District of New York is appropriate pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 1391(b)(1) in that, upon information and belief, the Defendant ("Employer") resides in the Southern District.

5. Subject matter jurisdiction over this action exists pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Sections 1331 and 1367 in that a claim is made that arises under the laws of the United States, specifically the Family and Medical Leave Act and the remaining claims form part of the same case or controversy.

6. Personal jurisdiction exists over the Defendant in that, upon information and belief, it maintains a continuous and systematic presence in the State of New York.

IV. Background

7. Upon information and belief, the Employer's primary business is the operation of a not-for-profit social services agency.

8. Ms. Lee was employed by the Employer full time for more than 1 year until her discharge in or about March of 2007.

V. The Plaintiff's Absence and Discharge

9. Before her discharge, Ms. Lee was absent from work due to a serious health condition.

10. Ms. Lee gave the Employer notice of this absence and the reason for the same.

11. Upon her return, the Employer refused to reinstate Ms. Lee to her previous position.

VI. Causes of Action

Count 1: Interference with FMLA Protected Leave

12. The allegations of Paragraphs 1 through 11 are incorporated as if restated herein.

13. Upon information and belief, the Employer is an "employer" within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. Section 2611 in that it maintains at least 50 employees.

14. At all times relevant to this complaint, Ms. Lee was an "eligible employee" within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. Section 2611 in that she was an employee of the Employer who had been employed at least 12 months by the Employer; had been employed for at least 1250 hours by the Employer during the preceding 12 month period; and worked within 75 miles of the 50 or more employees referred to in the preceding paragraphs.

15. Ms. Lee's absence towards the end of her employment were protected by the Family and Medical Leave Act ("FMLA") in that the total absence was less than 12 weeks and they were the result of a serious health condition.

16. The Employer violated the FMLA in that it failed to reinstate Ms. Lee to her former position upon her return to work and/or retaliated against her for exercising or intending to exercise her FMLA rights.

Count 2: Violation of Local Human Rights Law

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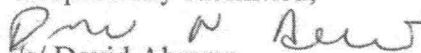
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VII. Demand for Relief

WHEREFORE Ms. Lee demands judgment against the Employer for lost wages and benefits, liquidated damages, compensatory damages and punitive damages together with appropriate interest, attorneys fees, costs, and such further relief as the Court deems just.

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J. MICHAEL McMAHON

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DATE

(By) DEPUTY CLERK

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Check one box below to indicate appropriate method of service

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STATEMENT OF SERVICE FEES

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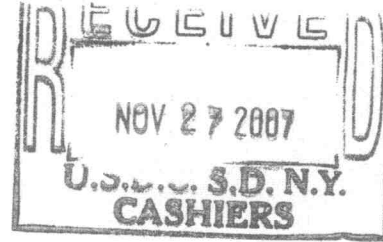
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